

## Saw the Ghouls Murder a Victim

Witness Describes the Killing of  
Richard Jordan

Indianapolis, Ind.: The detectives searching for the principals and accessories in the wholesale murder of Richard Jordan, discovered an eyewitness to the murder by the gang of Richard Jordan.

Crouched in concealment, helpless with fear, the witness was forced to see every harrowing detail of the murder of the helpless victim of the terrible "Sign of the Cross." The police refuse to divulge the name of the witness, who has been placed under arrest.

A transfer man, who carried Jordan's dead body from the cellar of the residence to the Indiana dental college, where Cantrell sold the corpse, has also been found. The transfer was made in broad day.

"I had been suspicious of Rufus Cantrell, Samuel Martin and others of his organization. I had evidence that they were murderers. For the sake of those who are near and dear to me, without knowledge of the character of the men, were drawn into an association with them, I determined to watch Cantrell, Martin and their associates.

"That night," the witness continued, "Richard Jordan came to the residence. He sat in the rear yard where he fell asleep." The witness pretended to go home, but, instead, concealed himself where he could view the yard. He says:

"I can never forget what I saw. About 11 o'clock I should think it was. Cantrell came round the house. He looked at Jordan.

"Martin came around the house a moment later. Martin carried in his hand a club.

"Cantrell said: 'Are you ready?' 'Martin made no answer, but raised the club high in the air and it fell upon Jordan's head with a thud that sounded terrible in the still night air.

"I thought I should faint. I had intended to prevent the murder. I had meant to shoot a warning, but it was all over before I fairly realized it. Jordan did not die at once. He fell to the ground.

"Cantrell said: 'This won't do; get him down the cellar. He and Martin lifted the body and threw it down the stairway and followed after. When they had disappeared I ran from my hiding place and peered down the hole. I could see plainly. Then I hastened away and went home.

"The next day, early in the morning, I went back to the house. Neither Cantrell nor Martin was there. I got a lighted candle and went down the cellar. There were two bodies in that cellar. One was Jordan's and the other was the corpse of Miss Carrie Solvage. Their throats were cut."

Louis is to be Retired.

Washington: M. A. W. Louis, Superintendent of the Division of Post Office Supplies, is slated for retirement. It is stated. Postmaster General Payne is said to have definitely determined on this course. The charge against Louis is that he bought canceling ink in such quantities as to provide post offices the country over for from three to ten years in advance; also that he paid 30 cents a pound for ink when the market quoted it at from 20 to 24 cents. Louis is a relic of the Heath regime. He was with General Heath when the latter published a paper in Cincinnati and was brought here from Cincinnati after General Heath had been appointed First Assistant Postmaster General. His conduct of his office, with the exception pointed out, is said to have been above criticism, and his friends believe in his integrity.

Victims Now Number Eleven.

Philadelphia, Pa.: Samuel L. Kelly, aged 11 years, died Wednesday as the result of the accident at the National League baseball park Saturday. Young Kelly is the tenth victim. Several others are lying at the point of death in different hospitals. James Bowden, aged 31 years, who was injured in the accident at the baseball park also died Wednesday, making the eleventh victim.

Old Feud Has Fatal Culmination.

Springfield, Mo.: Jim McCoy shot and killed John Hancock Thursday, five miles south of Osark, the result of a family feud of years standing. McCoy, who is a son of the late Capt. John McCoy, a noted antislavery politician of Missouri, was arrested. Capt. McCoy was president of the Arkansas constitutional convention that abolished slavery in that state at the close of the civil war.

Alton Gets a Shock.

Alton, Ill.: The earthquake was felt at Alton at 3:54 Sunday morning. Night Chief of Police Ashlock says that there were two distinct reports like an explosion. The shock probably was felt keenest in East Alton. From the best information the shock lasted from two to eight seconds.

Rains in West Texas.

Hereford, Tex.: There have been abundant rains over nearly the whole of the Panhandle within the past few days, breaking the dry spell and assuring plenty of grass on the winter ranges.

Wyoming Jail Breaker Caught.

Sheridan, Wyo.: Boone Porter, wanted in North Carolina for the murder of two Deputy Sheriffs, and who escaped from the jail here Wednesday night by digging through a brick wall, was captured Saturday.

Saloonkeeper Killed Himself.

Decatur, Ill.: Aug. 14: Ed Koschanski, a well-known saloonkeeper of this city, suddenly closed his place of business Friday night and then killed himself with a shotgun. No cause is given for the suicide.

Fire Threatened Armour Plant.

Kansas City: Fire that started in the stables of the Armour Packing Company early Friday threatened the entire plant for a time. The flames were gotten under control in a short while.

## Jett and White are Convicted

Their Punishment Fixed at Imprisonment for Life

Cynthiana, Ky.: Curtis Jett and Thomas White were found guilty Friday of the murder of Attorney J. B. Marcum at Jackson, Ky., and their punishment was fixed at life imprisonment.

Jett received the verdict with comparative indifference and calmness, but White, who has been under a severe strain since the trial began, broke down, his face flushed and his eyes filled with tears, which rolled down his cheeks despite all his efforts to control himself.

The defense will file a motion for a new trial as soon as possible. It is expected that it will be overruled. In that event an appeal will be taken to the Court of Appeals.

The verdict is a decided victory for the State and once more assures the people of the Blue Grass State that the law must be supreme. For years the Hargis-Cockrill feud has torn Breathitt County wide open and cast aspersions on the whole Commonwealth.

Killings have been almost as natural as everyday occurrences, and open violations of the law have been passed unnoticed for years. Some think like a dozen victims have been sacrificed in this warfare, but no one has ever had the temerity to begin prosecution until Commonwealth's Attorney Byrd took it into his hands to enforce the law.

By doing so Mr. Byrd has won a gallant fight, but has excommunicated himself forever from Jackson, where a price has been placed upon his head. He is a marked man, and it would be worth his life to appear in Breathitt County.

Captain Ewen and many other witnesses for the State dare not return to the feud country.

The verdict occasioned little surprise after the deliberations of the jury had been so prolonged. The only question which caused the delay was that of punishment—death or imprisonment.

The defense does not feel that the victory has been signal, since the State made a fight for "death or acquittal" and asked that no middle ground be taken. Then, too, they know that as long as there is life there is hope.

Marcum's Slayers Committed to Jail.

Cynthiana, Ky.: Judge Osborne Saturday overruled the motion for a new trial for Jett and White, who were Friday convicted and given life sentences for the Marcum assassination. The defense then filed notice of appeal, accompanied by a bill of exceptions. A stay of execution was taken on both prisoners for sixty days until the Court of Appeals shall pass on the case. After overruling the motion for a new trial Judge Osborne granted an appeal and gave the defense until September 9 to file their bill of exceptions. Jett and White were formally sentenced to life imprisonment at hard labor. The troops broke camp, one detachment taking Curtis Jett to jail at Lexington and another Thomas White to jail at Covington, Ky.

5,000 Homeless in Martinique.

Washington: The state department Tuesday received a dispatch from Consul Jewel at Fort de France, Martinique, dated Monday. The dispatch says: "A terrific hurricane visited the entire island at midnight Saturday; great damage was done to crops; many houses in Fort de France were unroofed and trees two feet thick were uprooted. One person was killed. The consulate is intact. At Trinité seven were killed, many houses being destroyed. The smaller towns were damaged. The villages, Tivoli, Fond, La Haye, Fourneels, and Recluse were destroyed, rendering 5,000 people homeless. Reports from the interior of the island are indefinite. There is great discouragement."

Blow For Canal Treaty.

Bogota, Columbia: The Canal Treaty Committee has rendered a report accepting the Hay-Herran treaty with nine substantial amendments. The Senate, by a vote of 17 to 8, has decided to discuss the treaty in public sessions, in spite of the opposition of the Minister of Foreign Affairs to such a plan. The suspension of cable service for twenty days has caused considerable inconvenience.

Suicide at Washington.

Washington: Stephen E. Hall of Aurora, Ill., a protégé of Senator Albert J. Hopkins, killed himself in his room here Sunday. Hall, shortly before ending his life, had suffered great pain, due to some stomach trouble.

Convict Chase Practically Abandoned.

Sacramento, Cal.: Sheriff Reese has practically abandoned the hunt for the escaped convicts known to have been in this city last Friday, including Ray Pahey, a notorious highwayman. Sheriff Reese feels it is useless to further pursue an organized chase.

Illinois Electric Line.

Decatur, Ill.: The Decatur, Tuscola and Champaign Interurban Railway was incorporated Thursday with headquarters at Decatur. It will construct an electric line to connect with the McKinley line now building through Springfield to St. Louis.

Cardinal Vaughn's Estate.

London: The estate left by Cardinal Vaughn, archbishop of Westminster, who died in June, is valued at only seven hundred and forty-three pounds sterling.

Cotton Compress Burned.

Camden, Ark.: The cotton compress at this place was destroyed by fire Sunday morning. The loss will amount to \$75,000, with no insurance. The grain warehouse of Ritchie & Co. was also destroyed, with \$4,000 loss; insurance, \$15,000. It is supposed the buildings were set on fire.

Illinois Band Contest.

Bloomington, Ill.: The second annual tournament of the Central Illinois Band Association, held in this city last week, drew 10,000 people.

## Indian Scandals Are to be Well Sifted

They Promise to Prove Almost as Sensational as the  
Littauer Glove Exposure

Washington: With scandal investigations going on in three departments, President Roosevelt and his Cabinet members are having little vacation.

The Indian land scandals, just brought to the attention of the Department of the Interior, promises to prove almost as sensational as the glove contract scandal in the War Department. In which Representative Littauer of New York is involved, and the scandals in the Post Office Department, which have resulted in a score of indictments and removals.

The charge that Government officials in Indian Territory have conspired to defraud Indians by leasing and buying their lands at ridiculously low prices is now entirely in the hands of Secretary Hitchcock. The case has been taken from the Indian Bureau of the Department of the Interior and probably will be investigated under the direction of the President, much as was done in the Post Office scandals.

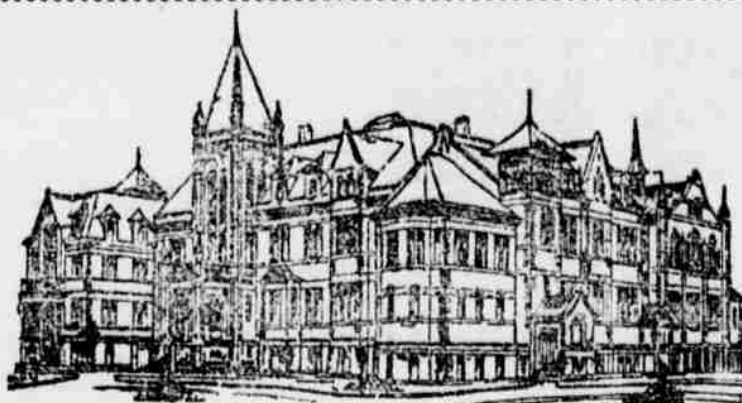
It is believed that upon his return to Washington after his conference with President Roosevelt, Secretary Hitch-

cock will designate a special inspector who immediately will go to Indian Territory and begin a wholesale investigation of the charges, which involve Tams Bixby, chairman of the Dawes Commission; Indian Inspector George Wright and many other prominent Government officials.

Much surprise is expressed here about the charges against Indian Inspector Wright. He is Secretary Hitchcock's right hand man and was sent to Indian Territory as the Secretary's special commissioner. He is not under orders of the Indian Bureau and was supposed to be the chief protector of the Five Tribes in their land rights.

"I shall be much surprised if the charges against Mr. Wright are sustained," said A. Clark Tonner, Assistant Indian Commissioner, Sunday night.

"He and many of the other men mentioned in the report by Mr. Brosions bear reputations which have always been above reproach. Charges are so frequent in the Indian Bureau that one must be slow to accept them when they are not sustained by affidavits.



Plan for Main Building of William Smith College for Women.

The people of Geneva, N. Y., were never more surprised in their lives, perhaps, than they were the other day, when William Smith, the millionaire nurseryman, and for eighty-five years a bachelor, announced the foundation of a college for young women. That he would do something for "the city by the lake" with the fortune saved by years of careful business and intense personal economy they fully believed. But the imagination of none was wild enough to suspect that one whom they had always believed a woman hater would give life and endowment to an institution for the higher education of these very women.

The newest college in this land of colleges and universities will be called the William Smith College for Women. It will have a frontage of 216 feet, with 156 foot wings on each end. The building will probably cost between \$120,000 and \$150,000, and will be so located in the thirty acre park as to leave room for future growth.



WILLIAM SMITH

## Jamaica Devasted by Hurricane

Number of Dead and Property  
Loss is Unknown

Kington, Jamaica: Port Antonio and the entire eastern and northern coast towns have been completely wiped out by the hurricane. The storm first struck the western end of the island, then swung over to the south and swept the country with full force. The damage done will require years to repair. Much injury was done to property in this city.

Owing to the interruption of telegraphic communication, it is impossible as yet to estimate the full loss caused by the storm.

It is feared that the loss of life has been heavy, 29 fatalities having already been reported, principally among seamen.

The entire eastern end of the island has been devastated. Villages have been wiped out and public buildings and churches. Thousands of the peasantry, rendered homeless and destitute, are wandering about seeking food and shelter. The destruction of the banana plantations has been complete and the fruit trade is paralyzed for the next twelve months. Hundreds of prosperous fruit growers have been brought to bankruptcy and ruin.

The western end of the island, which it was at first supposed had escaped, also suffered considerably. New banana plantations planted there were partly destroyed and the orange and coffee crops were also injured.

New Illinois Bank.

Springfield, Ill.: State Auditor McCullough Thursday issued a permit for the organization of the State bank of Salem with a capital stock of \$25,000 to L. W. Lacy, John Stonclinger, Frank Schwartz, John C. Martin, C. R. McKinnin, Samuel J. Smith and S. C. Hayes.

Recommends Levee Assessment.

Pittsfield, Ill.: At the hearing in the County Court Tuesday the assessment for \$200,000 made in the St. Louis district for drainage was recommended to the commissioners, with an order to revise their assessment to comply more fully with the law.

Fire at Cincinnati—Loss \$60,000.

Cincinnati, O.: Fire, starting in a shed in which stock drovers slept, destroyed annex B of the Union Stock Yards early Saturday, causing a loss of \$60,000.

Jules Verne Losing His Sight.

Paris: According to the Gaulois, Jules Verne is almost blind. An operation for the removal of a cataract is necessary, but he declines to undergo this on the ground that it would be too dangerous at his age.

Plot to Kill Dominican President.

Paris: Dispatches from Santo Domingo say that a plot to murder General Alejandro Woa y Gil, the president, has been discovered and that there have been many arrests.

## Canadian Cutter Fires on American Boat

Tries to Ram Her After Giving  
an Order to Halt

Erie, Pa.: The Silver Spray, a fishing boat owned here, came into port Wednesday afternoon in a badly shattered condition, due to an encounter in midlake about noon with the Canadian revenue cutter Petrol. The Canadian authorities have had trouble for years with American fishermen who were poaching on their side of the lake, and the Petrol is kept constantly on the lookout for them.

At noon she came upon the Silver Spray on the Canadian side of the lake, and at once ordered Capt. Chris Chau to stop. The Petrol is a strong steel craft, and it is said attempted to ram the American boat before she could comply with the order to stop.

Captain Chau decided to attempt to escape, and started ahead at full speed. The Petrol then opened fire with all her guns, and about 20 shots struck the Silver Spray. Two shots struck the pilot house, in which Captain Chau stood at the wheel. One shot came within a few inches of Chau, scattering a myriad of splinters around his head.

Captain Chau will report the affair to the State Department at Washington, as he says he was only looking for some of his nets which had drifted from this side toward the Canadian shore.

An Earthquake Shakes St. Louis.

St. Louis: St. Louis and vicinity were visited by an earthquake about 3:45 o'clock Sunday morning. The disturbance was not evenly distributed over the city, as people in some localities report that the trembling was so slight as to be scarcely perceptible, while in others the waves of the earth caused the houses to shake so noticeably as to cause alarm.

Storm at McPherson, Kansas.

McPherson, Kan.: Early Saturday morning a heavy rain and wind storm passed over McPherson city and county. At the Government station the rain gauge showed a precipitation of 1.36 inches.

Estimate 80,000,000 Bushels.

Topeka, Kas.: The Daily Capital has reports from every corn county in Kansas, which show better conditions than reported by Coburn. Estimates agree on a total yield of 80,000,000 bushels.

John W. Gates Ill.

Saratoga Springs, N. Y.: John W. Gates, who is at the United States hotel, is suffering from chronic dysentery, but the attending physician says that his patient is not in a serious condition and that he hopes that will soon be on the road to improvement.

Father Killed By Son.

Guthrie, Okla.: James Lennox, an aged resident of the Osage Indian nation, was killed Friday by his 13-year-old son, who struck the father with an ax while defending his mother.

## Fires Shotgun Into a Crowd

Three Persons Killed and Three  
Fatally Wounded

Winfield, Kan.: Gilbert Twigg, aged 30 years, supposed to be insane, appeared on the principal street at 9 o'clock Thursday night with a double-barreled shotgun and fired both charges deliberately into a crowd of 5,000 persons who were listening to a band concert.

He killed three persons, fatally injured three and shot twenty others, of whom six may die.

Twigg was himself killed by a policeman.

The dead: Sterling Rice, a carpenter; Dawson Tillotson, a barber; B. Bowman, a carpenter of Oxford, Kan.; Gilbert Twigg.

The band had just finished playing a waltz when Twigg stepped out from an alley a half block distant and, deliberately taking aim at the band stand, fired two shots.

R. E. Oliver, a bandman, fell at the first shot, but the crowd, not realizing what had happened, rushed toward the killer, believing that there had been an accidental shooting of some kind.

As the crowd closed in the crazed man discharged two more shots at them, causing a scattering in every direction.

With the crowd fleeing, the man stood firing at random in every direction. Men and women howled and shrieked and ran, but no one seemed able to stop the frightful carnage until Policeman George Nichols confronted Twigg and fired a bullet into his head. Before life expired the demented man drew a revolver from his pocket and fired a shot into his own body.

The dead and dying were by this time scattered all over the street, and the frightened people, believing that shooting was coming from every quarter, sought safety in flight. It was fully an hour before they realized what had happened and recovered sufficiently to take care of the injured.

Gilbert Twigg was a miller, having learned his trade twelve years ago at a little town fifteen miles north of this city.

The boys around town commonly referred to him as "Crazy Twigg," but no one thought him dangerous.

Another Death Makes Seven Victims.

Winfield, Kan.: One more of the men shot by Twigg, the maniac, Thursday night, died Friday night. He was Elmer Farnsworth, who had been in business here for 20 years. He was the first to fall. The total number of dead including Twigg, the murderer, is seven.

Georgia Warden Resigns.

Atlanta, Ga.: The Georgia Prison Commission, which has been investigating the whipping of Mamie Deoris, a white woman convict on the State Prison farm, made its report Saturday. With the report came the announcement of the resignation of Warden Allagood and acceptance by the commission. The charges of improper proposals by Allagood, alleged by the woman, and similar conduct toward other female convicts are found to be "absolutely false and malicious." The report says the Warden acted entirely within his authority in whipping Mamie Deoris and that he was led to it by severe aggravation. The commission concluded that this particular punishment was an "error on the part of the Warden, who, recognizing that his usefulness may have been impaired by reason of the prejudice against him caused by the Deoris affair, has voluntarily handed in his resignation."

Investigation Clears Metcalf.

Washington: As the result of testimony taken by Assistant United States District Attorney Taggart, the Post Office Department will, it is understood, abandon its attempt to make a case against James T. Metcalf, formerly chief of the money order division, who was suspected of being unduly interested in the letting of contracts for printing money order blanks. The outcome of the whole investigation has been that nothing has been found to indicate that Mr. Metcalf ever received any money or other consideration in the matter of contracts of any kind. In view of these circumstances it is expected that the Postmaster General will grant Mr. Metcalf a hearing looking toward reinstatement.

Lynchers Foiled.

Whitesboro, Tex.: Some days ago resolutions purporting to be adopted by an antiwhite club to poison certain wells and assault some white women were found. The water at the Union depot has been found to contain bile-ash, and about noon a negro attempted to assault Mrs. Ida Hart. A suspect was held for identification, and Wednesday night a mob strung him up. Officers from Sherman arrived in the nick of time and cut him down, taking him to Sherman. There is great excitement here.

Married in Sign Language.

St. Joseph, Mich.: Harry C. Smith of Chicago and Miss Minnie Hartup of St. Louis were married here Sunday and the full ring ceremony was repeated to the groom in sign language. Smith lost his hearing in a railroad accident five years ago.

New Light Company.

Guthrie, Okla.: A territorial charter was granted Saturday night to the Guthrie Gas, Light, Fuel and Improvement Company of Guthrie, with \$250,000 capital.

Admiral Cervera Resigns.

Madrid: Vice Admiral Cervera who surrendered to the American fleet off Santiago de Cuba, has resigned the position of chief of staff in the navy, to which he was appointed in December, 1902.

Woman Killed by Lightning.

Dixon, Mo.: During a heavy thunderstorm which passed over this section late Wednesday afternoon, lightning struck the house of S. F. Laler, a farmer, living a mile south of Dixon, instantly killing Mrs. Laler.

Fish Warden Named.

Springfield, Ill.: Governor Yates has appointed W. W. Trover of Paris a State Fish Warden.

## 25 Indictments for Danville Rioters

State's Attorney Hopes to Send  
Leaders to Penitentiary

Danville, Ill.: The Vermilion County Grand Jury adjourned Wednesday afternoon. About 25 men were indicted for the recent attack on the jail. The leader of the mob, Winfield Baker, who came here from Kentucky a few weeks since, was indicted separately for assault with intent to kill.

After the dead negro, Metcalf, was hung Baker mounted a street car and attracted attention by firing a revolver. He ordered the mob to follow him to the jail. When Sheriff Whitlock was standing on the jail veranda, counseling peace, Baker fired two shots at him.

Two others are indicted jointly under three charges—defacing a public building, rioting and attempting to enter a building with intent to commit murder. All three of the charges are felonies and State's Attorney Keeslar hopes to send the entire bunch to Chester.

The names of the indicted as far as given out are John Walton, Edward Hart, Winfield Baker, Clay Biddle, Adam Murray, William Redwine, Isaac Slade, John Robertson, Thomas Bell, Francis and Cicero Davis, William Pettus, Clements Mobaker, John Isom, Harry Rennie, Charles Devon, John Kress, Horace Murphy, Harry Van Gundy and Bessie Armstrong.

Excepting Van Gundy, who is an electrician, the men are all laborers or miners. Over 300 witnesses were examined, including the police and fire department, but no names were secured of the rioters who broke into the city building and lynched the negro. The indictments against those assaulting the jail were obtained through the evidence of Sheriff Whitlock and his deputies. State's Attorney Keeslar will vigorously prosecute them.

Youtsey Tells of His Own Errantry.

Georgetown, Ky.: The defense took Henry E. Youtsey in charge Friday and brought out some curious statements. He was confronted with the contradictions contained in his confessions and affidavits. He said the reason he told Arthur Goebel and T. C. Campbell that Berry Howard and "Tallow Dick" Combs were in the room from which Goebel was shot was because Goebel was greatly excited and appeared convinced that these men were in the room and he did not wish to contradict him. Youtsey said his fit at his own trial was a make-believe, and smiled broadly as he told about it. He said he had worked as a stoker and a machine shop hand in the penitentiary and had been injured. His first statement was written in shorthand and read to Dr. Tobin and Judge Cantrell and was afterwards destroyed.

Says Powers Sought to Bribe Her.

Georgetown, Ky.: In anticipation of the calling of the convict, Henry Youtsey, to the witness stand in the Powers conspiracy case, the courtroom was crowded Wednesday. Youtsey arrived from the Penitentiary at Frankfort at 8 o'clock and is under guard at the Wellington hotel, awaiting examination. Mrs. Roach of El Paso, Tex., told of letters from Powers, in which he told her the mountain army at Frankfort would fight if necessary. She said that after she first came here as a witness Powers sent her for her to come to the jail and asked her to go away and not testify.

Pope Plus Recovers.

Rome: The Pope Wednesday morning left his apartments for the first time since his fainting fit Tuesday, going for a drive and a walk in the Vatican garden. The Pope being now practically well, two photographers were granted permission Wednesday to photograph him in the garden of the Vatican. He also received in private audience the mayor of Rome, who afterwards went to the Minister of Telegraphs and asked for the installation of a telegraph line to the birthplace of the Pope. The request was immediately granted and the installation will be made at the Government's expense.

Store for Negroes.

Bloomington, Ill.: A mass meeting of the colored people of the city was held Thursday night to make arrangements for the opening of a large store, to carry the various kinds of merchandise and to be operated by colored people exclusively. Shares will be disposed of among the colored population.

Strike at New Mine.

Greenfield, Ill.: The miners employed at the coal mine recently opened here walked out Tuesday morning. They were receiving 3 cents per bushel for room work, and made a demand upon the mine owners for an advance of 1 cent, which was refused.

Cairo Felt the Shock.

Cairo, Ill.: A slight earthquake shock was felt here about 4 o'clock Sunday morning, lasting only an instant.

Indians to Claim Their Lands.

Denison, Tex.: A special train of ten coaches arrived Thursday bearing 300 Mississippi Choctaw Indians en route to Atoka, I. T., to claim their allotments, having been legally enrolled by the Dawes Commission.

Penitentiary Clerk Appointed.

Chester, Ill.: Norman H. Meas of Mount Vernon has been appointed chief clerk of the Chester penitentiary to succeed A. C. Millsap, who was elected clerk of the Appellate Court last November.

Irish Land Bill Passes.

London: The House of Lords Thursday agreed to the Irish land bill in the form finally approved by the House of Commons. The latter house Wednesday accepted all the amendments save two unimportant ones added to the bill by the Lords. The measure now only awaits the royal assent to become law.

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## THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

LESSON VIII., AUG. 23—DAVID  
AND JONATHAN.

Golden Text—"There is a Friend  
That Sticketh Closer Than a Brother."  
—Proverbs 18:24.—The Results  
of the Sins of Saul.

I. "A Notable Friendship."—The lesson for to-day is a most interesting and almost romantic action of David's history, in which we can delightfully trace the workings of God's guiding providence, as he leads a young man toward his life's work.

The friendship of Jonathan and David was one of the most perfect and beautiful ever known. "The soul of Jonathan was knit to the soul of David," their souls were joined together, "and Jonathan loved him as his own soul."

II. "Three Essential Conditions of Friendship."—It is true that "the marriage of souls" is a heavenly mystery, which we cannot explain; but it is also true that we can see some of the conditions necessary to the strongest and most abiding friendship.

First, Mutual Worth. There must be something strong and noble in each partner to the friendship.

Second, A Kind of Similarity with Minor Differences, not identity, but harmony. Two friends must be set to the same yoke, and each able to minister to the other.

Third, The Spirit of Self-sacrifice. Friendship always implies the willingness to sacrifice self for the sake of the one loved. Christ was a martyr, and hence glorified above every other.—Bishop Warren.

III. "How David and Jonathan Fulfilled These Conditions."—David is worthy of special notice that it was through David's worth as a friend that Jonathan's soul was knit to his.

IV. "How Jonathan Expressed his Friendship."—I Sam. 18:1-4 Jonathan, the prince, took off his royal soldier garments and gave them to David, together with his bow and arrows, and his armor, which was his special weapon (I Sam. 18:22); and his princely girdle.

V. "The Test of Friendship."—I Sam. 18:25